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Michigan Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Michigan as of January 1, 2020 were 1.15 million head, down 1 percent from last year, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 14 percent to 93,000 head. Beef replacement heifers decreased 8 percent to 23,000 head.
- Milk cows increased 1 percent to 427,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement increased 6 percent to 170,000 head.
- The 2019 calf crop was 410,000 head, down 2 percent from 2018.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2020 totaled 94.4 million head, slightly below the 94.8 million head on January 1, 2019. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.7 million head, were 1 percent below the 41.0 million head on January 1, 2019. Beef cows, at 31.3 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.33 million head, were down slightly from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2020 totaled 20.1 million head, slightly below the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2019. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.77 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.64 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.71 million head, were 1 percent above a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Michigan and United States: January 1, 2019 and 2020

Class	Michigan		United States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All cattle and calves	1,160	1,150	94,805	94,413
Cows	530	520	41,044	40,651
Beef	108	93	31,691	31,317
Milk	422	427	9,353	9,335
Replacement heifers	225	230	20,210	20,114
Beef	25	23	5,885	5,772
Milk	160	170	4,702	4,637
Other	40	37	9,624	9,706
Steers 500 pounds and over	180	175	16,758	16,671
Bulls 500 pounds and over	15	15	2,253	2,237
Calves under 500 pounds	210	210	14,540	14,739
Cattle on feed	150	165	14,368	14,668

Totals may not add due to rounding.